

**FACTSHEET**  
**WIKIWIKI VOTER REGISTRATION**

**MAIL REGISTRATION AND HOW IT WORKS**

The *Wikiwiki* Affidavit on Application for Voter Registration Form is a self-subscribing affidavit designed to make voter registration more accessible and convenient to the residents of Hawaii. Completing the *Wikiwiki* voter registration form and mailing it directly to the Office of the City or County Clerk allows a person to register to vote without having to appear in person before a deputy registrar at a government office, or designated voter registration location.

**MAIL REGISTRATION IN HAWAII**

The State of Hawaii was one of the first states to implement its mail-in voter registration in 1990, far ahead of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993, which mandated all states to provide mail-in voter registration by January 1, 1995.

*Wikiwiki* Voter Registration forms are available at various locations statewide, including:

- Verizon Hawaii Yellow Pages
- The Paradise Pages Oahu Telephone Directory
- All public libraries
- All U.S. Post Offices
- Office of the City/County Clerk
- Satellite City Hall locations
- Most State agencies
- Internet at [www.hawaii.gov/elections](http://www.hawaii.gov/elections)
- State of Hawaii Tax Booklet Insert

**CONVENIENCE OF VOTER REGISTRATION BY MAIL**

Voter registration by mail is convenient for busy residents, as well as persons with disabilities, home-bound voters, voters living overseas, and for those living in isolated areas.

## REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Primary Election: August 19, 2004  
General Election: October 4, 2004

## WHAT ABOUT FRAUD?

Safeguards are built into the process to protect against fraud. The law requires election officials to verify the residence addresses of all voters by mailing each voter a voter notification card/address confirmation card.

Pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes §19-3.5:

"The following persons shall be guilty of a Class C felony\*:

- (1) Any person who knowingly registers another person to vote when that person is not entitled to register to vote;
- (2) Any person who knowingly votes when the person is not entitled to vote;
- (3) Any person who knowingly takes an oath in this title prescribed or authorized by law and willfully makes any false statement of fact while under oath therein; or
- (4) Any person who willfully makes a false answer to any question asked of the person while under oath in this title prescribed or authorized by law."

\*Any person who knowingly provides false information on the Application on Affidavit for Voter Registration may be guilty of a Class C felony, punishable by up to five (5) years imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine.

Additionally, voters can challenge other voters on the grounds defined in Hawaii Administrative Rules §2-51-41 (b) "At the polling place on election day, any voter rightfully in the polling place may challenge the right to vote of any person who comes to the precinct to vote only upon the following grounds:

1. The person is not who the person claims to be; or
2. The person is not a resident of the precinct.

This Factsheet is intended for informational purposes only and should not be used as an authority on the Hawaii election law and deadlines. Requirements and/or deadlines may change pending changes in legislation. Consult the Hawaii Revised Statutes and other sources for more detailed and accurate requirements.

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